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AND CHARACTERIZING DNA

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action mailed May 3, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendment and remarks. Because a reply is being filed prior to August 3, 2007, no fees are believed to be due.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

Conclusion is on page 22 of this paper.

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